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SUBJECT: VISIT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY EDWARDS, HEW

1. THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS APPROVED FOR RELEASE ON MAY 15 BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY EDWARDS AND STATE SECRETARY WOLTERS OF FRG MINISTRY OF YOUTH, FAMILY AFFAIRS AND HEALTH UPON CONCLUSION OF THEIR TALKS IN BONN:

2. BEGIN TEXT

DR. CHARLES C. EDWARDS, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HEALTH, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION & WELFARE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IS PRESENTLY VISITING THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AS THE GUEST OF THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH, FAMILY AFFAIRS AND HEALTH. DR. EDWARDS' VISIT IS IN RECIPROCITY FOR ONE MADE TO THE UNITED STATES IN DECEMBER, 1973 BY PROFESSOR DR. HANS GEORG WOLTERS, THE STATE SECRETARY OF THIS MINISTRY.

3. IT WAS AGREED THAT THERE IS GREAT BENEFIT TO BE OBTAINED FROM A CONTINUING EXCHANGE OF IDEAS. BOTH DR. EDWARDS AND PROF. DR. WOLTERS HAVE DECIDED TO PROMOTE AN ONGOING EXCHANGE PROGRAM OF TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL VISITS ON A REGULAR BASIS.

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4. BOTH PARTIES HAVE ALREADY BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN AN

EXCELLENT OVERVIEW OF THEIR RESPECTIVE HEALTH SYSTEMS.
SUBSEQUENT VISITS WILL BE FOR THE PURPOSE OF
DISCUSSING HEALTH POLICY AND THOSE HEALTH PROGRAMS
WHICH ARE OF MUTUAL INTEREST AND PRIORITY.

5. ONE OF THE FIRST BENEFITS TO COME OUT OF THIS
EXCHANGE WAS THE INFORMATION DR. WOLTERS
ACQUIRED DURING HIS VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES, WHICH
WAS MOST HELPFUL IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SECOND
DRUG REGULATION LAWS FOR THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
GERMANY. END TEXT
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